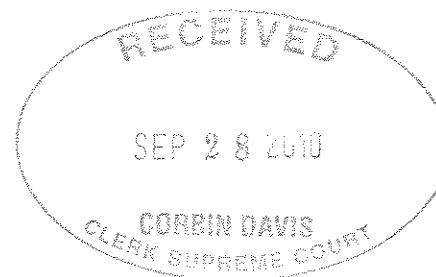


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RE: Time limit on evidence would deny justice for innocents.  
September 23, 2010, Detroit Free Press Editorial  
(Changing Michigan's Court Rules)



Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy's effort to keep convicted and imprisoned people from presenting new evidence of their wrongful conviction after the first anniversary of their conviction is centered around the investigation into the now-closed Detroit Police Department (DPD) Crime Lab.

After a random audit of the Detroit firearms lab, the Michigan State Police (MSP) discovered that Detroit firearms examiners made erroneous or false findings in 10 percent of the 1,800 firearms case they analyzed per year. At that rate, there has been over 4,140 people wrongfully convicted in the 24 years I've been imprisoned. Factor in the 1969 gun case of 30 year old Arthur Lee Edwards (Inst. # 125261), Case No. 4-154332, the equation approaches 3,000 wrongfully convictions because of false test results and faked firearms exhibits.

Five month after the MSP's 2008 audit, the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office (WCPO) had identified 147 potential cases of false test results and faked Detroit Firearms Lab findings used to obtain wrongful convictions. Based on Worthy's time frame to re-examine firearms cases in five year intervals from 2008 backwards, by now, the WCPO should have identified 1000's of cases of false or faked lab findings. However, Worthy hasn't informed the public, media nor the courts of how many more potential cases it has found since the first 147 she announced in March 2009.

Assistant Prosecutor, Patrick Muscat, Unit Director of the WCPO "Conviction Integrity Unit" (CIU), created to re-examine cases tainted by DPD firearms examiners, has notified me that the CIU include my 1936 homicide

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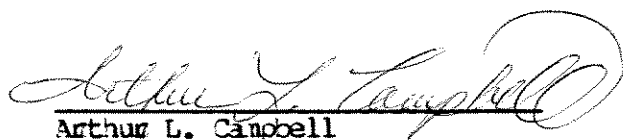
1. Amber Hunt and Ben Schnitt, 147 cases in police lab mess are 'tip of iceberg,' Detroit Free Press, March 15, 2009.

prosecution in the list of firearms cases it is reviewing. I showed them that false test results and faked exhibits were used to convict me of murder in 1936. (Letter enclosed).

If Worthy has her way, I and 1,000s of other wrongfully convicted and imprisoned people would have to accept our fated miscarriage of injustice, even though false ballistic evidence could not have been discovered until the 2008 MSP audit miracle.

The DPD Firearms Lab debacle is the motivating factor behind Worthy's proposed court rules to prevent new evidence of wrongful convictions. With "Prosecutor Worthy's Rules" in effect, there'd be no need for a "Conviction Integrity Unit" or the Courts to review "irregularities so offensive to the maintenance of a sound judicial process that the Conviction should not be allowed to stand regardless of its effect on the outcome of the case."<sup>2</sup>

Sincerely yours



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2. Michigan Court Rule 6.503 (D)(3)(iii).

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Dear Mr. Campbell:

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your letter. Because of some concerns regarding the Detroit Police Laboratory, the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office is establishing a process to review post-conviction cases and your case has been included in the list of cases that may be reviewed. We currently have no timetable for the completion of our review process. If you have any additional questions or concerns, you can write me at the following address: 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1441 St. Antoine, Detroit, MI 48226.

Sincerely,

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